(iv) महाराष्ट्र सर्किल—	प्रथम वर्ष	:	400
	द्वितीय वर्ष	:	10080
	तृतीय वर्ष	:	383
(v) पंजाब —		:	776
(vi) राजस्थान	प्रथम वर्ष	:	0
सर्किल—	द्वितीय वर्ष	:	7439
	तृतीय वर्ष	:	8151

बिहार सर्किल से संबंधित लाइसेंस में 11100 वीपीटी के लिए हस्ताक्षर किए जाने की संभावना है।

दूरसंचार विभाग 9वीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अंत तक प्रत्येक गांव में एक सार्वजनिक टेलीफोन प्रदान करने की न्यूनतम दूरसंचार सेवा उपलब्ध कराने के लिए उपयुक्त कदम उठाएगा।

M.T.N.L. Promise to give Telephone Connections

2935. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M.T.N.L. has invited applications for telephone connections with last date as February 7, 1998 with the promise that connections will be given March 31, 1998;

(b) if so, how many such applications have been received and how many connections have been given; and

(c) whether M.T.N.L. was able to fulfil the promise, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

In MTNL Delhi, the last date upto which applications were invited was 06-02-1998 and not 07-02-1998.

In MTNL Mumbai advertisement were issued during January, February, March, 1998 to provide telephone connections in technically feasible areas only as per details given belwo:—

Booking by	Telehpone Connections to be provided by
31-01-1998	28-02-1998
28-02-1998	31-03-1998
March, 1998	31-03-1998

(b) the details of the applications received and telephone connections provided by MTNL are given below:

(i) MTNL Delhi
No. of applications received 14,763
No. of telephone connections provided 11,633

(ii) MTNL Mumbai
No. of applications received 1,04,055
No. of telephone connections provided 95,444
(feasible cases only)

(c) Yes, Sir.

MTNL Mumbai was able to fulfil the promise of providing telephone connections for feasible cases.

However, MTNL Delhi could fulfil the promise for 78.7% cases. 3103 applicants could not be provided telephone connection due to non-completion of cable construction job in some pockets/ areas of different telephone exchange due to reasons beyond control.

Telephone Advisory Committee for Mumbai

2936. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted Telephone Advisory Committee for metropolitan city Mumbai;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that for more than six months there is no T.A.C. in Mumbai; and

(d) by when it is likely to be constituted?